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SUBJ: FM BITSIOS ON RESUMPTION OF INTERCOMMUNAL

TALKS - PRESS TREATMENT

1. GREEK RADIO/TV AND MORNING PRESS JANUARY 10 REPORTED
FM BITSIOS STATEMENT ON RESUMPTION OF INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS
AS GIVEN TO ATHENS NEWS AGENCY (ANA) CORRESPONDENT IN SOFIA.
ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS BITSIOS SAID:
QUOTE REPORT FROM NICOSIA INDICATING THAT TALKS ON
SUBSTANCE OF CYPRUS PROBLEM WILL BEGIN NEXT WEEK IS
WELCOME NEWS AND JUSTIFIES THE EFFORTS MADE IN BRUSSELS
LAST MONTH. IT IS NOW A MATTER OF URGENCY THAT THE TALKS
NOT ONLY TAKE PLACE IN GOOD FAITH BUT ALSO THAT THEY
BE CONDUCTED AT A RAPID RATE. THE SUBJECTS TO BE
DISCUSSED ARE MANY. THE DRAMA OF THE PEOPLE OF CYPRUS
IS SUCH THAT NO DELAYS ARE PERMISSIBLE. END QUOTE.

2. NEWS REPORTS WERE CAPTIONED "SATISFACTION FOR START OF
ESSENTIAL TALKS IN CYPRUS" (ELEFTHEROS COSMOS), "CANTONS
AT BASIS OF NEGOTIATIONS" (TO VIMA), WHICH INCLUDED
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BITSIOS' REMARKS IN GENERAL WRAPUP ON CYPRUS DEVELOPMENTS,

AND "MAKARIOS AIMS AT FEDERATION WITH CANTONS" (AKROPOLIS).
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